Class D Airspace

- Airports with control towers have class D surface areas (FAR 91.129). You must communicate with the control tower prior to entry, as with class C airspace (see).
- When the tower is closed, the airport reverts to class E or G airspace.
- Tower controllers only sequence traffic for landing or takeoff. You are always responsible to separate yourself from other traffic. Note: tower may require you to extend downwind, reenter the traffic pattern, etc. This is for sequencing, not separation.
- You must comply with tower instructions while in the class D airspace. This includes taxiing, departing or arriving at the airport.